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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED CONCURRENTLY WITH
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

This amendment is submitted concurrently with an RCE and in response to a final office action in the above case dated November 5, 2008 ("Final Office Action"). The Examiner rejected all the claims as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102) or obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. On January 8, 2009, the attorney for the Applicants and the Examiner held a phone interview discussing amendments to the claims and arguments, which are presented herein. Applicants amended certain claims to distinguish over the cited art and clarify the language and add claims 30-33. Applicants submit that pending claims 1-4, 6, 9-13, 15, 16, 18-24, 26, 27, and 29-33 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11.